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COLLEGEVILLE, PA.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1899.

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J. W. ROYER, M. D.,
Practising Physician,
TRAPPE, Pa. Office at his residence, nearly
opposite Masonic Hall.

M. Y. WEBER, M. D.,
Practising Physician,
EVANSBURG, Pa. Office Hours: Until 9
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E. A. KRUSEN, M. D.,
Homeopathic Physician,
COLLEGEVILLE, Pa. Office Hours: Until 9
a. m.; 6 to 8 p. m.

S. B. HORNING, M. D.,
Practising Physician,
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OUR MAIN AND DEKALB STREETS
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Cheap and Reliable Dentistry.
Dr. N. S. Borneman,
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Specialty. Practices in Bankruptcy Courts.

GEO. W. ZIMMERMAN,
Attorney-at-Law,
325 SWEDD STREET, ROOMS 6 and 7, 7th
Building, NORRISTOWN, PA.

MAYNE R. LONGSTRETH,
Attorney-at-Law,
And Notary Public. 212 Cedar Build-
ing, 1420 Chestnut St., Phila., Pa.

GEORGE N. CORSON,
Attorney-at-Law,
NO. 8 EAST AIN STREET, CORNER OF
DEKALB and Fourth Streets, NORRISTOWN AND CITY
HALL, NORRISTOWN, PA.

JOHN T. WAGNER,
Attorney-at-Law,
415 SWEDD STREET, NORRISTOWN, PA.

J. M. ZIMMERMAN,
Justice of the Peace,
COLLEGEVILLE, PA. Legal Papers, Bonds,
Deeds, etc., executed and acknowledged
taken. Conveyancing and Real Estate busi-
ness generally attended to. The clerking
of sales a specialty.

JOHN S. HUNSICKER,
Justice of the Peace,
RAHN STATION, PA. Conveyancing and
General Business a specialty. Clerking of sales at-
tended to. Charges reasonable.

B. W. WEIKEL,
Justice of the Peace,
TRAPPE, PA.

A. L. LOGAN, Mont Clare, Pa.,
Dealer in Stoves, Heaters, Ranges, Etc.

JOHN H. CASSELLBERRY,
Surveyor & Conveyancer,
All kinds of legal papers drawn. The clerking
of sales a specialty. Conveyancing and Real Estate
business generally attended to. The clerking
of sales a specialty. Lower Providence, Pa. Resi-
dence: Evansburg, Pa. 1800.

HORACE G. FETTEROLF,
Real Estate and Mortgages,
1120 Chestnut Street, Phila., Pa.

SUNDAY PAPERS.
Different Philadelphia papers delivered
to those wishing to purchase in Collegeville and
vicinity every Sunday morning.
HENRY YOST, News Agent,
Collegeville, Pa.

F. W. WALTERS,
Contractor and Builder,
TRAPPE, PA.

J. P. KOONS,
Practical Slater,
RAHN STATION, PA. Dealer in every qual-
ity of Roofing, Flagging and Ornamental
Slates. Send for estimates and prices.

EDWARD DAVID,
Painter and
Paper-Hanger,
COLLEGEVILLE, PA. Samples of paper
always on hand.

ROBERT OEHLETT,
Carriage Builder,
New and Second-hand Wagons constantly on
hand. Repairing and Repainting done in all its
branches. Four new horse shoes put on for St.
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W. M. MERKEL,
Practical Barber,
(Successor to J. P. Thiel), COLLEGEVILLE,
PA. Having worked in some of the leading
shops of New York, Philadelphia and Europe, I
feel confident that I can please the most ex-
acting in any line of business. Give me a trial
and be convinced.

"The Best is
the Cheapest."

Experience teaches that
good clothes wear longest,
good food gives best nutrition,
and a good medicine that
cures disease is naturally the
best and cheapest. Hood's
Sarsaparilla is the best medicine
because it cures when all others fail.

Poor Health - "Had poor health for
years, pains in shoulders, back and hips,
with constant headache, nervousness and
no appetite. Used Hood's Sarsaparilla,
gained strength and can work hard all
day and feel like a new man. Took
it because it helped my husband to col-
ic strength." Mrs. E. J. Giffels,
Moose Lake, Minn.

Hood's Sarsaparilla
Never Disappoints

Hood's Pills cure liver and bowels and
all catarrhs to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla

REST.

Not with the eyes I hear,
Not with the ears I see,
Night and the day are near,
Yet they are naught to me,
Green grows the grass above,
Blinds to my grievous come;
Only the life I love
Tells through my lonely home!

Naked to God's dear eye,
Since the warm vesture died,
Here, where the body lies,
Green grows the grass above,
Blinds to my grievous come;
Only the life I love
Tells through my lonely home!

When to my soul you come,
Minding the body so,
Think not of I am dumb -
All of your grief I know,
It is my voice you hear,
You feel no pain to me,
You feel no pain to me,
You feel no pain to me!

Here, in this narrow bed,
God gives me clearer eyes;
Life is but truly said,
Lives on for paradise!
So simple heaven lies
In life's but truly said,
Lives on for paradise!
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When death in speechless bliss
Holds wide the door of rest,
- Fred G. Bowles in Literature.

PHASES
OF A CRIME.

A Conspiracy That Remained Un-
punished for a Quarter of a
Century.

The recent trial in Marseilles, France,
of Jules Duraix for an alleged assault
on his wife, Marie, led to the discovery
of the real perpetrators of a great
crime committed 25 years before and
to the exoneration of an innocent man.
The story of the trial, as told in a
French newspaper, is dramatic.

Duraix dealt in ship's stores and
was supposed to be in good circum-
stances. In his defense he swore that
his wife assaulted him with a knife,
and he showed the unhealed wound
on his left arm, made by the weapon
when he endeavored to ward off what
might have otherwise been a deadly
blow. At this juncture in the trial a
note was handed to the defendant's
counsel. With permission of the court,
he read the note, and asked to be ex-
cused for a minute or two. He fol-
lowed to the corridor the man who had
handed him the note and speedily re-
turned. At his request the woman
was recalled and questioned by him as
follows:

"Where were you born, Madame?"
"In Paris, I believe."
"Were you ever in Poitou?"
"Never!"
"Were you ever in Brittany?"
"Never!"
"Did you ever know or see a man
named Jacques Saupier?"
"I never did!"
"Were you ever married to a man of
that name?"
"Never!"

"You swear that you were never mar-
ried to one Jacques Saupier and never
saw or knew him?"
"This way, Jacques Saupier!" coun-
sel said, and the stranger moved slowly
forward, with his eyes fixed upon

the woman. Within three or four feet
of her he stood and looked at her with
a steady, unflinching gaze. She crouched
and turned away her head. Then
counsel questioned her.

"Do you know this man?"
"Yes, yes, I do."
"Is this Jacques Saupier?"
"Oh, yes, I believe so."
"As he your lawful husband?"
"Yes, yes! Oh, let me go!"
"What has become of your para-
mour, Lacrusse?"
"He is in prison for life—dead to me,
dead!"

"What has this to do with the case?"
the court asked.

"This woman is a criminal," answered
the counsel, "and I ask you to de-
tain her on a charge of a double mur-
der, committed 25 years ago."

The complaint against Duraix was
dismissed, and the woman was handed
over to the police. The narrative which
follows is gathered from a report of the
proceedings already mentioned.

Marie Rozan was the associate of a
thief, sometimes called Crascur, but
whose real name was Lacrusse. Early
in May, 1873, Lacrusse and one Pasco
planned a robbery at Lennans, province
of Maine, where Pasco had once been
employed as a coachman. Marie ac-
cordingly went to Lennans, and Lacrusse
and Lacrusse fled and abandoned Marie
to her fate. She managed to escape from
the neighborhood and wandered on,
suffering from want and exposure, until
she reached Morlaix in Brittany.

She continued up one of the valleys
until she came upon a comfortable
homestead, where lived Henri Saupier
with his wife and only son, M. Saupier.
Marie owned some 20 acres of land adjoining
the home, and she did good circum-
stances, being considered, in fact, the
wealthy man in the district. The son,
Jacques, was not particularly bright
and had earned a bad reputation in the
neighborhood, having twice stolen
money from his parents and gone off
with it. He was never fond of work,
the truth of the matter being that he
had been spoiled in the bringing up.

Just before dusk on the evening of
May 18, 1873, Saupier sat in the garden
smoking. Looking up, he saw a mis-
erably clad woman, standing with her
hand on the gate and her eyes directed
toward him.

"What was that?"
"It came from the pantry," Marie
said.

"Then here goes for it, whatever it
may be," said Louis as he raised his
pistol.

"For the good Lord's sake, don't fire,"
Jacques cried, coming from his
hiding place.

It was the turn of Louis and Marie
to be astonished, but both soon recov-
ered their senses. The woman, who had
been together in as bad a fix before
and more than once.

"Look here," Louis muttered savagely.
"I want no spies upon us. Say your
names, for in a minute you'll be a
dead man."

"Wait and hear me," said Jacques.
Then he explained the cause of his un-
expected return.

"You have your own," Louis said.
"You, Jacques Saupier, have ordered
your father and mother and robbed
them. You pretended you were going
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senger had brought you word I was ill.
That messenger was your accomplice."

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they had killed you too!"
"I heard you scream," he said, "and
ran up stairs. I was sleeping on the
couch in the kitchen, you know. When
I reached your room, I saw two men
sneaking up, and one of them with a
pistol in his hand seized me, forced me
down stairs and into the stable and
locked me in."

"Yes," Marie said, "I was awakened
by noise in the bedroom occupied by
my husband and his wife, and as I was
in the act of getting up to see what
was the matter two men entered and
seized, gagged and bound me. I recog-
nized one of the men as my husband
by his voice and heard him say:

"I've settled the old folk, and that's
all I care for!"
"I'm sure it was Jacques," Louis
added, "for in the struggle I tore off
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In the stable and threw the key
through a hole in the door. The money
was hidden away with the other. The
old of the old people and the failure of
the police to trace Jacques, Marie sold
all she could sell, and she and Louis
departed, not forgetting to take the
money with them. Their first career
is not necessary to the sequel.

As the judge on the trial of Marie
said, the plot to murder the old man
and his wife was at once clumsy and
stupid, and any ordinary detective
ought to have been able to see through
it. Marie is undergoing the punish-
ment due to her crimes—Brooklyn
Citizen.

HOW ICEBERGS FORM

ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL OF
THE WORKS OF NATURE.

These Dazzling Mountains Have
Their Origin in Arctic Glaciers,
Whence They Majestically Wend
Their Restless Way to the Sea.

Of the many things of interest which
engage one's attention on a voyage to
the north, few are so fascinating and
fascinating than the study of icebergs.
If any person who has never seen these
remarkable and beautiful forms will
look at a piece of ice as it floats freely
in a tumbler of water, he will form a
most imperfect idea of what an iceberg
really looks like.

Perhaps the only feature which the
floating ice mountain and the fragment of
ice appear, on consideration, to have in
common, is that they both have an im-
mense proportion of their bulk up-
der water—the exact proportion being
somewhat greater in fresh water than
in salt water; there being in salt water
about seven-eighths of the entire mass
under water.

One striking difference between the
appearance of the iceberg and the frag-
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AN AWFUL EXPERIENCE.

Trapped in a Mine With a Blast Fuse
Lighted.

A man with an empty sleeve told a
curious story in one of the hotel lob-
bies. "In 1889 I was prospecting in the
Joplin lead district," he said, "and with
two partners had sunk a shaft about
30 feet deep on a promising claim. At
the bottom of the excavation we started
to 'drift'—in other words to drive a
tunnel at right angles. One afternoon,
about the tunnel had progressed some
12 feet, it became necessary to put in
a blast. I was below at the time and
my two companions were at the top,
working the windlass. I drilled a hole
in the bottom of the tunnel, and then
put in a dynamite cartridge, tamped it
well with broken rock, lit the fuse and
stepped into the bucket. At the first
turn of the windlass the rope broke at
the top and dropped down into the
shaft. The bucket fell only a yard or
so, but I plunged head first against the
side and it was perhaps a couple of
minutes before I could collect my
senses.

"The fuse in a flash I realized my situ-
ation and jumped back into the tunnel
to extinguish the fuse, but it had al-
ready burned down to the tamping and
all I could see was a little smoke ooze-
ing out through the rocks. I could hear
my partners yelling to me from above,
but I knew there was no other rope in
our camp and the only thing I could
think of was to pick out the tamping
and get at the fuse before it reached
the dynamite. For all I know the ex-
plosion might have taken place at any
instant, but I grabbed a drill and began to
claw at the tight packed rock. In a few
seconds I realized that it was a hope-
less task, so I dropped the drill and
went back to my bucket. I ran back to the
shaft and crouched against the far wall.

"If I live to be a thousand," contin-
ued the story teller, "I will never for-
get my agony while I waited for the
fuse to burn out. I was beginning to feel
my chances for escape were almost too
small for computation. It seemed as if
the explosion would never occur, and
all the while a horrible panorama of
death and mutilation was rushing
before my brain. 'Now! Now!' 'Now!'
'Now!' I kept saying out loud, think-
ing each time I uttered the word that
the rope would follow, but it didn't. I
could have sworn that 15 minutes
they took off my arm at the elbow and
it was six months before I got out of
bed. Strange to say my hearing wasn't
affected and, as you see, I have no
scars on my face. So I may consider
myself very lucky on more counts
than one.

"By the way, there was one very
strange incident connected with the af-
fair. As I said before, it seemed to me
that I lay there an interminable time,
waiting for the fuse to go off. After-
ward, when I was convalescent, I men-
tioned the matter to one of my part-
ners and he looked surprised. He told
me that he was at the shaft mouth
when the explosion occurred and that the
explosion occurred immediately after
ward. He was intending to drop his
coat over me, but didn't have time to
take it off."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Facial Irregularity.
"Physiologists tell us," said a lawyer
to the writer recently, "that no two
faces are exactly alike, and I think they
are correct, although we often hear of
one person being the exact image of an-
other. That is largely a matter of
imagination can be proved by investi-
gating. I am in my office a clerk who
is constantly mistaken for my sister. She
is a perfectly good looking woman, and
she is constantly mistaken for my sister.
I deny the relationship."

"In order to ascertain how much rea-
son there is in these statements I took
the fellow to a photographer's one day

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E. S. MOSER,
Editor and Proprietor.

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A snow storm prevailed in northwestern Pennsylvania Saturday. Much damage was done to fruit yet on the trees.

The genius of *The Blade* of Pottstown can be depended upon to do rather effective service when he takes to thumping a hump. But he will not believe that Bryan is a hump on the Democratic party; hence he will not thump that particular hump. Of course not.

ADMIRAL DEWEY seems to hold the opinion that General Otis' campaign in the Philippines has thus far been a failure, and that Otis, in trying to do too much has not done anything well. General Otis is acting in strict accord with the policy which keeps him where he is.

PENDING an international hog trust, a combination that may figure among the possibilities of the future, pork ought to come down in price in this country through the operations of a syndicate of French, German and Russian capitalists, who have raised \$50,000,000 to compete with American exporters.

As a diagnostician Editor Sellers of the *Doylestown Republican* ventures the statement that, politically, Editor Dambly "will soon be able to sit up and take some nourishment." Editor Dambly will, of course, acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of Editor Sellers' valued and authoritative opinion.

"CHRISTIAN SCIENCE" is still being "answered" by argumentative clergymen, but the activity of the faith-healers evidences no sign of abatement. Recently three children, deprived of the service of a physician, died from diphtheria in Chicago. That man Dowie has a fearful responsibility resting upon his shoulders.

TREMENDOUS CROWDS cheered Admiral Dewey in New York, Saturday, and Rear Admiral Schley was not forgotten by the multitude. The demonstration attending the welcome to Dewey was both extensive and emphatic. The greeting accorded the men of the famous Tenth of Pennsylvania, in the procession, was most hearty. It is estimated that five million people witnessed the parade and cheered.

An idea of the enormous corn crop now being harvested in Kansas can be gathered from the statement that if the 340,000,000 bushels, at which the crop is estimated, should be equally divided among the 1,400,000 residents of the State, every one of them would receive 244 bushels. In addition, the State raised enough wheat to give every one of its children three bushels and still have enough left for seed purposes.

ANOTHER war is about to be inflicted upon humanity; unless much talk of the imminence of a conflict between England and the Transvaal—a Dutch Republic in South Africa—is entirely at random. As usual, territorial greed is the basic cause of the trouble. Imperialism is costly, as well as brutalizing, but it is popular in some quarters of the globe; and, whatever is popular cannot be successfully disputed in a popular sense.

The civilizing influence of centuries has as yet failed to curb the war spirit in humanity; and murder is popularized by processes arising from assumed national necessities. Those who pull the leading strings and many of those who clamor the loudest for war, and in favor of the great civilizing and Christianizing influence of bullets, are in safe quarters when battles are being fought.

A NORRISTOWN correspondent to one of the Philadelphia dailies figures it out that the "great disruption" existing in the ranks of the Republican party in Montgomery may give a Democratic majority at the November election. Whatever of disruption exists in the Republican party is due, of course, principally to factional differences and hatreds. The tickets respectively nominated by the Republican party and the Democratic party are as six to six; no fractions involved. A large majority of the candidates named on both tickets are capable persons, and just where one ticket is weak the opposite ticket is likewise weak; so that if the Republican candidates go down in November it will be because of the opposition of the anti-Quayites. Indications are not wanting that many of purpose not to wait until next year to unwork their wrath and indignation and to smite those whom they hate less in the attempt to destroy those whom they hate more.

SINCE four aspirants for the seat of the late Congressman Ermentrout of Berks county held a conference and decided upon a campaign without beer, it might with some show of reason be argued that one end of the Millennium is fully in sight, were it not that the question of expense figured as the primary factor leading to the conclusion arrived at. However, the decision is a good one, and should be adhered to. Men who desire to serve the public, ought not to be expected to spend a small fortune for beer or anything else, in attempting to attain, or in the attainment of, the goal of their ambition. Berks is a neck ahead!

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D.C., Sept. 29, '99.—Washington, in common with the rest of the country, has had the Dewey fever since that memorable May Day in Manila Bay, but the fever has been steadily rising since the Admiral arrived in New York harbor, and it now has complete possession of the town and all the people. Go where you will, you cannot talk for five minutes with anybody without having the conversation turn upon Dewey and his welcome to Washington. There are anti-expansionists and anti-imperialists; but there are no anti-Deweyites. Everybody is proud of him and is determined to tell everybody else about it. Hero worship is the order of the day, from the President to the humblest street gamin. There are pictures enough of Dewey in Washington to reach to Manila Bay, if placed side by side. The Dewey fever sent the Dewey Home Fund on a boom, and it is now practically certain that more than \$50,000 will be contributed. There is a probability that the Dewey fever may get as high along the route which will be followed by the Presidential party, which will start west the day after Secretary Long presents Dewey the sword voted to him by Congress, as it now is in Washington, as strong efforts are being made to have Admiral Dewey join that party. It all depends upon him. The President and members of the Cabinet would like him to go, and that fact as well as the wishes of the people who will be visited will be intimate to Admiral Dewey, but the President will not make a personal request, because that would be equivalent to an order. Senators and Representatives from the west are working in every way they can to persuade Admiral Dewey to join the President and Cabinet, and it will be odd if they don't succeed.

It has been doubted in diplomatic circles from the first whether President Diaz would make that promised trip to Chicago and other cities, so there was no surprise when it was announced that the illness of his wife had forced Diaz to abandon the trip. How the matter has been regarded in Mexico, may be judged from the following remarks made by Mr. E. F. Lamington, an American mining engineer who has been located in the City of Mexico for years, and who is now in Washington: "I have never thought for a moment that President Diaz would pay that visit to Chicago so loudly announced by the newspapers. Gen. Diaz would have been glad to make a tour of this country, being assured in advance of a royal welcome, but, owing to the peculiar conditions existing in Mexico, he would not have felt safe in leaving the republic. I don't think that Diaz supposed there would be any great danger of a revolution in his absence, but he wanted to keep on the safe side and decided to take no chances. He got in power through revolutionary tactics himself, and while there have been vast changes since that day, the prudent old man believes in the maxim of eternal vigilance. What will happen when Diaz dies is a guess, but ten to one the rivalries of ambitious generals will precipitate a lively time, and that the one that can get the heaviest military backing will be President."

The selection of Archbishop Chappelle, of New Orleans, by the pope to be Apostolic Delegate to the Philippines—he is already similarly accredited to Cuba and Porto Rico—is being discussed with the greatest interest in Washington, where Mr. Chappelle is well known. There are many rumors as to the cause of this appointment, which appears to be regarded in official circles as likely to aid the U. S. in the Philippines by causing the influence of the Catholic church on the islands, which is powerful, especially among the better classes, to be actively used against the insurgents. A prominent diplomat, speaking of the matter, said: "It is a very natural selection. The Pope knows that it is only a question of time when American authority will be supreme in the Philippines, and that an American Apostolic Delegate will be more useful in protecting the enormous property interests of the church over there than would a delegate of any other nationality." Others see in the appointment an intention on the part of the Pope to retain the supremacy of the Catholic church in the Philippines, under American control, but the supremacy of any church in American territory, further than it can be gained by the voluntary support of

the citizens, is impossible under the U. S. Constitution.

As a mark of respect to the seventh council of the Pan-Presbyterian Alliance, which has delegates from all over the world, and which opened in Washington this week, a brilliant evening reception was given at the White House by the President and Mrs. McKinley.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE IN COLORADO.

Mrs. Elizabeth B. Harper, of Durango, Treasurer of the Colorado State Federation of Women's Clubs, writes in answer to a letter of inquiry about the direful results that are said by certain anonymous correspondents to have followed equal suffrage in Colorado: "It is hard to imagine how such false reports could gain circulation. To one living in Colorado and knowing that woman suffrage has proved satisfactory beyond the hopes of its most ardent advocates, to attempt to speak of its benefits is like writing of the blessings of health, the benefit of sunshine or any other self-evident fact. I would think it unnecessary did I not remember that when men of Colorado in 1893 voted for equal suffrage many of our women were opposed and worked against it; and I shall always be mortified to have to admit that I was one of that number."

"Seeing is believing," and it is seeing the benefits of equal suffrage not only to our women, but to our men, that has made me the most enthusiastic of equal suffragists. "It is our progressive, intelligent women who take the most interest in our elections. While women register and vote more generally than the men, the illiterate and disreputable are not much in evidence, as they do not take the same interest in the vital questions of the day as their more intellectual sisters. I doubt if any woman of intelligence, who has lived where she could vote, would be content to live in a State where she was denied this right. "Instead of equal suffrage causing men to have less respect for women, one of its most noticeable results is the increased respect and deference with which we are treated. Besides, men's natural admiration for bright, progressive women, they never lose sight of the important fact that we have a vote. "So far as the home is concerned, we recognize that the ignorance and narrowness of mothers has done more to retard the physical and mental development of the human race than any other influence, and the ignorance and narrowness of mothers has sprung naturally from the isolations of the home. If suffrage takes a woman away from the home for a time, she is worth more to her family because of her temporary absence."

"After five years of equal suffrage in our State, I know I am voicing the opinion of our leading men and women when I say that the result has been good, and nothing but good. It has made our women more self-reliant, more tolerant, more keenly interested in affairs of State and Nation and broader in every way. "When any one from Colorado asserts that equal suffrage is a failure it will be a man (or the wife or relative of a man) who has political aspirations, but whose life will not stand the test of the women's vote. "To one who is familiar with and who partially believed in the prophetic of dire calamities to follow women's voting, it is rather amusing to see how ridiculous they now seem. In Colorado women's voting is an accepted fact and excites no more comment than trial by jury."

ELIZABETH BRADFORD HARPER.

Long Corn Crib.
Traveling on the Burlington Railroad on the way to Denver, a little town called Atlanta, near Hastings, Nebraska, is pointed out as a point of interest because of the corn cribs built there along the tracks. In all there are twenty-four separate cribs, 12 feet wide and 12 feet high, with a total length of 5,964 feet, or a distance of nearly a mile and a quarter. This year's enormous crop (three hundred million bushels for the State of Nebraska) will test their capacity. Everybody seems prosperous in Nebraska. Nobody complains but the bankers, who find it hard to lend their money. Nobody wants to borrow it.

Orders for the Druggist.

Here are some orders recently received by a druggist in a neighboring city: "This child is my little girl. I send you five cents to buy two little powders for a grown up adult who is sick." "Dear Dochter, ples gif beaser five sense worse of Antie Toxyn for to gargle baby's throat and oblige." "You will please give the little boy five cents worth of opium for to throw up in a five months' old babe. N. B.—The babe has a sore stomach." "I have a cute pain in my child's diaphragm. Please give my son something to release it." "My little baby has eat up its father's parish plaster. Send an antedote quick as possible by the enclosed bill."

MERCER WEDS FIVE SISTERS.

AS EACH ONE DIES HE TAKES ANOTHER MOFFATT GIRL.

William Mercer, of Raccoon Creek, W. Va., has married five sisters, says the New York World. Not all at once, of course; the law forbids that. But when one wife died Mr. Mercer married her sister. In a word, Mr. Mercer fell in love with the Moffatt family, and the Moffatts agreed they must keep Mr. Mercer in the family.

Mr. Mercer was very happy, indeed, when he came to get his fifth marriage license. He married Miss Anna Moffatt, who is 26 years old and handsome. In pursuance of the plan to keep Mr. Mercer in the family, Miss Anna rejected a well-known young man of Raccoon Creek and whispered "Yes" to Mercer's fervid question: "I love you, Anna; will you be my fifth?" Besides procuring the license Mr. Mercer, who is in good circumstances, bought much wine and many delicacies for the wedding feast.

Each one of the Moffatt girls has made me a better girl than her sister," said Mr. Mercer with feeling. "I can't say more for any of them than that. I really think I am fonder of Anna than I was of Jennie, Ada, Catherine, or Missouri. Anyhow, we're going to have the finest wedding of the lot." Fifty years have passed lightly over Mercer's sturdy shoulders. He married Miss Jennie Moffatt when he was 19 years old. Then followed at pretty regular intervals Ada, Catherine, and Missouri. Now it is Anna's turn. The girls' parents have never offered objection to their marriage with Mercer, although Mrs. Moffatt was lately heard to complain: "It does seem strange to have four daughters married and only one son-in-law."

Each of Mr. Mercer's wives has blessed him with two children, all of whom are really first cousins. They call their new stepmother "Auntie" if they will. Miss Anna Moffatt is robust. But it must gratify Mr. Mercer to know there is yet one Moffatt girl left, who is 20 years old and noted for her patient disposition.

The Twentieth Century.

The nineteenth century closes with the year 1900. Immediately after midnight, therefore, of December 31, 1900, is when the twentieth century begins. In other words, it begins with the first second of the first hour of the first day of January, 1901. The twentieth century will open on a Tuesday and close on a Sunday. It will have the greatest number of leap years possible for a century—twenty-four. The year 1904 will be the first one, then every fourth year after that to and including the year 2000. February will three times have five Sundays: in 1920, 1948 and 1976. The twentieth century will contain 36,525 days, which lacks but one day of being exactly 5,218 weeks. The middle day of the century will be January 1, 1951.

The Editor's Lament.

From the Hempstead (Texas) Herald. Some thief of the midnight mist took the editor's home last Saturday night for a floor sufferer's commissary and entered through an open kitchen window. One glance at the contents and he didn't feel enough encouragement to make a more extended search. He divided fair with the groceries, taking enough for a meal and leaving us enough for the same. We believe that the visit satisfied him, but if not, and he intends to make another, we politely suggest that he can have anything that he wants but our "grub"—we talk there. There is an old newspaper directory of 1893 vintage, a few patent medicine contracts, a 22 calibre pistol without a main spring and a few other valuables in the second small bureau drawer in the southwest corner of the south room, representing our earthly valuables, to which he is welcome. No need searching our pants pocket for small change, for we never have any.

NEBRASKA'S GREAT CORN CROP.

300,000,000 BUSHELS IS THE ESTIMATE AND IT MAY BE MORE. A conservative estimate of Nebraska's corn crop, which is now safe from frost, is 300,000,000 bushels. It is hard for the mind to grasp just what these figures mean. Counting 60 bushels of shelled corn to the load, it would take five million teams to haul the crop to market, a caravan that would reach around the world. It will take an army of 80,000 men over two months to husk it if they husk 60 bushels a day each. If loaded into cars of 30,000 capacity it would take 600,000 cars to haul the crop, a train over 4,000 miles long. At no time within the past ten years has there been such a tendency on the part of farmers to look for new locations, either to better themselves or to provide homes for their children. Many sections in the East are overworked while thousands of acres of rich, well-watered lands can still be had in Nebraska and Northern Kansas at comparatively low prices. Thousands will visit that country this fall as the railroads have announced cheap rate harvest excursions for Oct. 17.

Immense Antlers.

A Moose head whose antlers measure from tip to tip six feet six and a half inches—a small head on

which from tip to tip a board could be placed and the tallest of men lie down and not be too tall for the length of it, in fact the largest moose head in the world—is the property of W. F. Sheard, of Tacoma, Washington. It has forty prongs and its immense fan-like antlers are enormous in their width, as well as height. The marvel is that any neck could have carried such a burden.

THRESHING.

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ESTATE NOTICE.

Estate of Margaret E. Garber, late of Upper Providence township, deceased. Letters testamentary upon said estate having been granted to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to the estate to make immediate payment, and to those having legal claims against the same to present them without delay to

ESTATE NOTICE.

Estate of Archibald Devaney, late of Upper Providence, Montgomery county, deceased. Letters testamentary on the above estate having been granted the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having legal claims, to present the same without delay to

ESTATE NOTICE.

Estate of A. W. Loux, late of Perkiomen township, Montgomery county, deceased. Letters of administration on the above estate having been granted the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having legal claims, to present the same without delay to

FIRE NOTICE.

The members of the Perkiomen Valley Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Montgomery County are hereby notified that a tax was levied on August 2, 1899, of \$1.50 on each one thousand dollars for which they are insured, to pay losses sustained. Payments will be made to the collectors or to the Secretary at his office in Collegeville.

FIRE NOTICE.

Extract from Charter: And if any member of the Company shall refuse or neglect to pay his or her assessment within 40 days after the publication of the same, 30 per cent of the assessment will be added thereto, and if payment be delayed for 50 days longer, then his, her, or their policy shall have become suspended until payment shall have been made."

FIRE NOTICE.

The members of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Montgomery County are hereby notified that a contribution was levied on July 18, 1899, of one dollar on each One Thousand Dollars of Ordinary Risks, and the Rates fixed on Preferred and Hazard Risks, for which each member of said Company is insured, and that J. Evans Isaac, Treasurer of said Company, will attend at his office, East corner of Main and Cherry streets, in the borough of Norristown, to receive said Assessments from date.

FIRE NOTICE.

Extract of Charter, Section 6: "Any member failing to pay his or her assessment or tax within 40 days after the above publication shall forfeit and pay for such neglect double such rates."

FIRE NOTICE.

The 40 days' time for payment of such tax will date from July 20, 1899. Persons sending money by mail must accompany the same with postage in order to receive a receipt therefor.

J. VINCENT POLEY,

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CHURCH SERVICES.

Episcopal service at St. James', Evansburg, every Sunday at 10:30 a. m. Sunday School, 2 p. m. Also a service at Roversford at 3:15 p. m. Rev. A. J. Barrow, rector.

St. Paul's Memorial Protestant Episcopal Church, Oct. 5, 1899. Rev. R. J. Douglas, rector. On and after Sunday, June 4, morning services will be held (D. V.) in Union Church, Westfield Corner near Shannonsville, to begin at 10:30.

Afternoon services throughout the year at St. Paul's Memorial, near Oaks, at 3:30. Sunday School at St. Paul's at 2:30.

St. Luke's Reformed Church, Trappe, Rev. S. L. Meisinger, pastor. Sunday School at 9 a. m. Preaching every Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meetings: Junior Endeavor, Sunday, 2 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E., Sunday, 6:30 p. m. Congregational, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Singing class, Monday, 7:30 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend the services.

Preaching in the United Evangelical Church, Trappe, Sunday evening at 7:30. Sunday school at 12 p. m.

Lower Providence Presbyterian Church, Rev. C. R. Brodhead, pastor. Sunday School, 9:30 a. m. Preaching, 10:30 a. m. Y. P. S. C. E., 7:30 p. m. Preaching, 7:30 p. m.

Lower Providence Baptist Church, Trappe, preaching services 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. every Sunday. Rev. Wm. Conroy, pastor. Bible school, 9:30 a. m. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening at 7:30. Shannonsville Mission, every second Sunday evening at 7:30; Bible school, Sunday, at 2:30 p. m.; prayer meeting, Tuesday at 7:30 p. m.; Rev. S. O. Perry, pastor.

Trinity Church—Wednesday evening, prayer service, 7:30 o'clock. Thursday evening, quarterly conference meeting, 7 o'clock. Sunday: Sunday School at 9 a. m.; preaching at 10 a. m. and 5 p. m.; the Junior C. E. prayer meeting, at 2, and the Y. P. S. C. E. prayer service at 4 o'clock.

The pastor will conduct a preaching service in the Shippensburg church Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

HOME AND ABROAD.

—Jack Frost.

—Has resumed business.

—On an extensive scale.

—There are plenty of fustianists, with hard cord on tap, over in Vincent, Chester county, and the campaign in that quarter ought to be lively enough, sure.

—Miss Mary Force, of Evansburg, is having her residence repainted.

—J. P. David, the pork butcher, will visit his patrons, for the first time this season, next Wednesday.

—Good cider barrels cheap and choice timothy seed at the right price at Fenton's.

—Dr. A. W. Lamar, of Norristown, preached in Trinity church, this morning.

—J. S. Voorhees has been appointed postmaster at Audubon; formerly Shannonsville.

—W. A. Shearer, painter, of Eagleview, put the finishing touches on the addition to Jacob Truckess' house, in Evansburg, last week.

—B. F. Smith has quit the harness shop at Ingram's. The harness repairing business will be continued. See adv. next week.

—That bear story, emanating from the vicinity of the Almshouse, was perhaps the result of beer, or bear, on the brain.

—The three-year-old son of Mrs. Elmira Smith of Ambler, while on a visit with his mother to Allentown, got hold of a bottle of carbolic acid, drank some of the poison and died in great agony.

—The card of T. B. Evans, real estate and general business agent, will be observed in another column.

—A limb cut from a quince tree on the farm of Frank Morris, Fallsington, Pa., had nine one-pound quinces on it.

—Tracey, the hatter, of Norristown, gives some timely pointers in relation to hats in his adverb in another column.

—Joseph Henderson of Avondale, Pa., claims that a dog would sell the mail brought to the house and pick out the letters intended for his daughter.

—Marks D. Yeager, aged 75, a carpenter and builder, died Thursday night in Pottstown.

—The Broadway House, Lansdale, has been sold by A. B. Schultz to Amos Tyson, of Norristown.

—Herman Wetzel, the reliable Norristown clothier, is making a fine display of fall and winter clothing. Read what he says on the fourth page; and what he says can be depended upon.

Attended the Convention.

Rev. William Courson, of Lower Providence, attended the fifty-third annual convention of the North Philadelphia Baptist Association, held in the First Baptist church, Germantown, last week.

Fell Thirty-five Feet.

One night last week William Hartnett, of Bridgeport, while walking along a dark road, fell into an unguarded quarry hole, where he was found in an unconscious condition, next morning. His injuries are serious.

Beware of Unimprints for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

As mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is tenfold to the good they possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.

Sold by Druggists, 75 cents.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Will Study Medicine.

Albert Laros, son of Jesse Laros of this borough, has matriculated at Hahnemann's College, Philadelphia, and will pursue a course of reading in Homeopathy with Dr. E. A. Krusen, of this borough. We wish our young friend success.

Memorial Church.

Dr. R. V. Mattison is having a beautiful new Protestant Episcopal church erected at Ambler. The building, when completed and furnished, will cost over \$75,000. It is built as a memorial to the memory of his daughter, Florence Esther.

The Ladies Interested.

Quite a number of the ladies of this borough listened to the talk given by Mrs. Upperman, of Washington, D. C., in Fenton's hall, last Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Upperman presented the merits of the various remedies in the treatment of various diseases.

Removed to Trenton.

Mr. G. Z. Vandervelde and family removed from this borough to Trenton, N. J., Monday, where Mr. Vandervelde and his son Charles are engaged in the coal business. They have the best wishes of many friends in this locality, where they resided for nearly twenty-five years.

From Electricity to Gas.

The Roversford Borough Council by a vote of 10 to 1, have dispensed with electric light in the borough for one year, and will light the town with gas, having signed a contract with the Consolidated Gas Company, whose plant is in Pottstown. It is claimed that by this contract the borough will save \$600.

Talked to Farmers.

Hon. I. P. Wanger addressed about 500 farmers Saturday in the hall of the Farmer's Union of North Coventry, at Cedarville. The occasion was a picnic given by the union, but on account of the cool weather the meeting was held in the hall, which was crowded to the doors.

Criminal Court.

Normal court is in operation in Norristown, before Judges Weidner and Weand, this week. District Attorney A. H. Hendricks began the work of the October term with ninety-eight cases returned to him for trial, including that of Jose Julian, charged with having fatally shot John Martini, in Norristown, some time ago.

Larger Trolley Cars.

Superintendent Davis, of the S. V. Traction Company, has had two of the improved and enlarged trolley cars on the line the past week. They are about five feet longer than the other closed cars in use and the appearance and comfort of the same are duly appreciated by the patrons of the road. It is understood that several more of the closed cars are being enlarged.

The Power of Music Peculiarly Applied.

The Norristown Review says: "The power of music has been recently demonstrated by the proprietors of a local cigar factory who found it necessary to operate at night to fill orders. To exercise the power of music, two fine pianos and an orchestra are employed to dispense 'merry music' for the delectation and entertainment of those who manipulate the wheel. Goodness Greshious! What next?"

Almshouse Affairs.

A regular monthly meeting of the Directors of the Poor was held at the Almshouse, Thursday. Dr. M. Y. Weber was re-elected as physician of the institution, his term to extend from October 1, 1899 to April 1, 1900. Orders were granted amounting to \$3408.74. The receipts of the steward during the month past were \$241.91, while \$98 were expended. There are at present 163 inmates in the institution, 118 males and 45 females. During the month 14 were admitted 6 discharged, and 3 died.

Fire Company Officials.

The Fire Department of Skippack and vicinity has been organized as follows: President, Dr. J. Newton Hunsberger; Vice Presidents, Henry B. Bean and C. R. Hunsicker; Secretary, A. R. Roser; Treasurer, John B. Mensch; Chief Engineer, D. L. Tyson; Assistants, W. H. Fox and H. W. Dambly; Nozzlemen, N. H. Gerhard, J. C. Cole, Harry K. Tyson and Charles F. Cassel; Trustees, H. F. Bean, John C. Cole and B. W. H. Manly.

Jury of View.

The jury, consisting of Geo. W. Steiner, Jacob W. Kline, Valentine G. Prizer and Wm. A. Welker, appointed in proceedings to condemn the Perkiomen and Reading Turnpike road, between the borough of Trappe and Pottstown, a distance of 8 miles, met Thursday at the office of Miller D. Evans, of Pottstown, and after being qualified by the Master, J. P. Hale Jenkins, proceeded to view the road. Representing the Turnpike Company were present D. B. Mauch, E. M. Hobson, Henry W. Kraz, and E. P. Ancona, with their attorney, Miller D. Evans. The County Commissioners were also present and represented by their counsel, Wm. F. Solly. The petitioners were represented by Attorney Shomo. Testimony will be taken at Shaw's Hotel, this borough, on October 20.

During the winter of 1897 Mr. James Read, one of the leading citizens and merchants of Clay, Clay county, Va., struck his leg against a cake of ice in such a manner as to bruise it severely. It became very much swollen and pained him so badly that he could not walk without the aid of crutches. He was treated by physicians, also used several kinds of liniment and two and a half gallons of whisky in bathing it, but nothing gave any relief until he began using Chamberlain's Pain Balm. This brought almost a complete cure in a week's time, and he has been able to walk since. He writes: "I have used this remedy which acted like a charm. I am not unequalled for sprains, bruises and rheumatism. For sale by J. W. Culbert, druggist, Collegeville, Pa."

Visitations of the Bishop.

The Rt. Rev. O. W. Whitaker, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the diocese of Pennsylvania, is expected to make his annual visits and preach at St. James' Episcopal church, Evansburg, at 10:30 a. m., and at St. Paul's Memorial Episcopal church, Oaks, at 3:30 p. m., on Sunday, October 15. A very cordial welcome is extended to all.

W. C. T. U. Jubilee Convention.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Pennsylvania will hold its twenty-fifth anniversary silver jubilee convention in the city of Philadelphia, October 6-10, in Olivet Presbyterian church, Twenty-second and Mt. Vernon streets. Three hundred delegates and a large number of visitors are expected to be present.

Norristown Markets.

Last Saturday's quotations: Chickens, 16 and 18c; eggs, 25c; butter, 30 and 32c; grapes, 15 and 25c; basket; California grapes, 10c; pears, 25 to 30c; pk.; apples, 10c; corn, 15c; do.; lima beans, 12c; cauliflower, 15 to 25c; celery, 15 to 20c; bunch; peaches, 35 to 60c; pk.; string beans, 13 pk.; and oranges 35c. a dozen.

Matrimony.

On Saturday evening, September 23, at the home of the bride's brother, Mr. Jacob Bower, Trappe, by Elder Joseph B. Detwiler, Miss Louisa Bower was united in wedlock to Mr. Richard Cottilla, both of Philadelphia. In the presence of thirty invited guests. There were two bridesmaids, Miss Margaretta Funk, of Trappe, and Miss Mame Bonnin, of Philadelphia.

Another Explosion Near Sunnyside.

John Baum and Frank Griffith, two workmen, were burned by an explosion of the breaker at the Sunnyside powder mills, Marlborough township, Saturday afternoon. The explosion occurred while the men were putting new roof on the building. In driving a nail a spark caused the powder dust to explode. Several other workmen beside Baum and Griffith were seriously burned. The building was destroyed by fire.

Damages Wrought by a Cyclone.

The storm, or cyclone, that swept over portions of Perkiomen, Frederick, and other townships, beginning of last week, wrought considerable damage. A number of trees were uprooted in the orchard on the Landess farm, near Gratersford. In some sections buildings were unroofed, and in one instance the wagons were blown out of the wagon house. At another place a large barn was partially shifted from the foundation walls, and forest trees were torn out by the roots. Corn was blown flat over the ground and apples were all knocked from the trees.

FOOT BALL AT URUSINUS.

The foot ball season opened at Ursinus last Wednesday afternoon, when a practice game was played between the college team and a team composed of students from the Ursinus Theological Seminary. The Ursinus boys did a great deal of fumbling, which kept the score down to 16-0 in their favor. The Seminary team put up a good defense, many of the players having figured on the Ursinus foot ball field last season and the season before.

On Saturday the team went to Easton and engaged in a contest with Lafayette College. They were defeated. Score, 34-0.

Lebanon Valley College will send its pigskin kickers to the Ursinus field on Saturday. An interesting game is anticipated.

St. Luke's Church, Trappe.

A story and song service was held in St. Luke's Reformed church last Sunday evening. The house was well filled, and all apparently enjoyed the service. It was titled "The Story of the Pink Rose," by Mrs. E. M. Whittemore, with musical arrangement by I. H. Meredith. It is an entirely new kind of service; and it is intensely interesting and entertaining, while, at the same time, spiritual and helpful.

New singing books will soon be placed in the Sunday school.

Last Monday evening the pastor started a singing class in the lecture room of the church. The class will meet every Monday evening. The book used is "The Song Church," by William Schwartz and family. Services in the Chapel on Sunday evening by Rev. Abraham Wismer.

Funeral of Mrs. Dericks.

We noticed in our last the death of Mrs. Catharine M. Dericks, widow of the late Jacob Dericks, who died at the residence of Dr. M. Y. Weber, Evansburg, Saturday, Sept. 23, aged 87 years. The funeral service was held at St. James' church. In his address the Rev. A. J. Barrow stated that she was the last direct descendant of the Lane family who gave the land owned by the church. She was the last surviving daughter of Richard and Ann Jacobs. Her mother died in her 93rd year, and was known as Grandmother Jacobs, who was the daughter of William Couch whose wife was a granddaughter of William Lane. They lived near and saw the Perkiomen bridge built at the beginning of the century. The late Matthias Yost married a sister of Mrs. Dericks whose only daughter, Mrs. 404, had five children, three of whom are now living. Mr. Robinson and the mother by a former husband of Dr. Weber. Rev. Barrow referred impressively to the passing away and being gathered to their fathers of representatives of former generations connected with St. James' church.

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Methacton Literary Society.

The following program will be rendered by the Methacton Literary Society on Saturday evening, October 7: Address of welcome, Mr. Lewis R. Kramer; dialogue, six characters; recitations, Ella Johnson, Lillian Horner; readings, Viola Auer, J. H. Johnson; music, Gutwals family; recitations, Jos. Kraz, Jennie Armstrong; music, Warren family; readings, Myra Johnson, Niobe Egley; instrumental solo, Lizzie Place; clarinet solo, Norman Hoffman.

An Historic Edifice Destroyed.

St. Peter's Lutheran Church, at Barren Hill, a well-known landmark in Whitemarsh township, near the Philadelphia boundary, was entirely destroyed by fire at an early hour last Thursday morning. The origin of the fire is a mystery. The building burned was erected in 1849 at a cost of \$6500, and since then has been variously improved. There is an insurance of several thousand dollars. The church was one of the best known landmarks of the township, and its position and being visible for miles. Though a half century had intervened since its erection, it was in excellent condition. The grounds comprise eight acres, and its city of the dead, in use for one hundred and forty years, is thickly populated. A monument to soldiers who lost their lives for the Union, 1861-5, is a conspicuous feature of the cemetery. The oldest building bearing a date is to the memory of "Johann Henry Klein, 1760." Arrangements are to be promptly made to rebuild the church.

THE TURF.

The race meeting at the Pottstown mile track, next Thursday, Friday and Saturday, will be a success, if the weather permits. Much interest is being manifested in the coming exhibition of speed on one of the best mile tracks in the country.

The races at Hilborn's track, Pottstown, Saturday afternoon, proved to be quite interesting. The weather was rather too cool for both drivers and spectators. Mr. Becker, of Skippack, won the three-minute race in 2:47 and 2:42. The first heat was won by Mr. Fisher's horse in 2:46. In this race a fly trotter, owned and driven by proprietor Spang, of the Lamb Hotel, Trappe, did some excellent work, and will doubtless be heard from later. The 2:45 "go" comprised two heats only. The first was won by "Joe Hooker" of Kulpville in 2:33; the second by Dr. Horning's pacer "Annie" in 2:40. This race will be finished in the future, and we have some reason to think that "Annie" has speed enough to win it. A Hilborn won the 3:15 race in 2:52 and 3:01.

FROM LOWER PROVIDENCE.

John K. Umstead, of Providence Square, has an ear of corn on exhibition at Schwenk's store that measures 14 inches in length.

FROM OAKS.

Miss Annie Shewalter and Miss McBride and Dennis McBride went with the excursion to Gettysburg.

Charles Harvey is putting up a coal and wood house, and also a place in which to do butchering.

John B. Dettra is putting up the building for him.

Audubon day Saturday, at Audubon. Come over and join in the festivities. Big time may be expected.

Captain Heister's steamboat from Reading passed down the river on Friday, and returned on Saturday evening. Said steamboat conveyed the historical society to Valley Forge and having a number of places of note along the historical Schuylkill on Saturday.

Impatient, because the new coal yard has not materialized at Perkiomen, Dago, Dago & Co. have started into business. It is not certain, however, it will remain stationary; so close to the station, only those near the station will be lucky enough to get their orders filled.

The battery well at Perkiomen Junction contains forty-one jars.

These jars, which are six by eight inches, when charged are to generate electricity to operate the signals adopted by the P. & R. on their main line for many miles.

Rev. J. G. Francis is preparing a church record of the Green Tree church from its beginning to the present time.

The clanging of bells at Phoenixville was an alarm of fire, and not intended for a rejoicing of the homecoming of Dewey. Sheridan and Dewey, two names whom we delight to hear and see honored. One is dead, and a greater than he never lived. He gave all the credit to the men under him for his greatness and desired honor accorded them. Dewey, the same, liberal minded enough to share the glory, the honor, with his men, the crew of the Olympia. Grant's light it out on this line if it takes all summer, had an army he could rely on. Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation would have amounted to so much dough if it had not sword, saber and bayonet to back it up. Good, effective work is always expected and generally given for good pay. Feed a horse on shavings and saw dust and don't get much work out of him. Nothing is too good; praise is not commensurate for the brave men who fought at Manila, at San Juan, at Siboney. It seems like an Arabian Night's performance, on an early May morning, when we read of Dewey's capture of Manila.

On Saturday evening, Ironbridge Castle, No. 404, had its visitors thirty members from Inn Castle No. 62, one member from Cold Point Castle, No. 103, and three members from Shannonsville Castle, No. 211. A lunch was served.

Joseph Gottsbalk has a monster radish which measures 24 inches in circumference, 18 inches long and weighs 84 pounds.

"I wish to express my thanks to the manufacturers of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, for having put on the market such a wonderful medicine," says W. W. Massingill, of Beaumont, Texas. There are many thousands of mothers whose children have been saved from the ravages of cholera infantum who must also feel thankful.

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FROM TRAPPE AND ROUNDABOUT.

John H. Fetterall's horse became frightened Saturday and ran away demolishing his vehicle. It is stated that the horse was frightened by Wagner's dog jumping from his accustomed place on the back of a horse. Whenever this dog accomplishes his master's team he poises himself on the back of the horse.

Mrs. J. W. Shambough has returned home from visiting friends at Lansdale.

Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Royer were in Woodbury, Thursday.

J. H. Spang, accompanied by H. V. Keyser, went to Maryland in search of the former's stolen team last week. Their efforts to locate Joe Baker, alias LaBeechy, the thief, or the stolen team, were fruitless.

H. V. Keyser and wife visited friends in Limerick, Sunday.

Mrs. Wm. Mayberry, of Limerick, is confined to the house with sciatic rheumatism.

H. V. Keyser, by order of the School Board, has placed a new stove in the Chestnut Hall school house, Upper Providence.

A business meeting only of the Trappe Temperance Society will be held this (Thursday) evening. All members are requested to be present.

YERKES AND VICINITY.

